

MN Geriatrics ECHO

The following resource links were shared in the August 26, 2025 session, featuring Sara Spah and Kari Bergman, Nurse Specialists from the Minnesota Department of Health.

Respiratory Season Vaccines

<https://www.cdc.gov/respiratory-viruses/prevention/immunizations.html>

Adult Immunization Schedule by Age

<https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/imz-schedules/adult-age.html>

State Operations Manual (SOM)

https://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Manuals/downloads/som107ap_pp_guidelines_ltcf.pdf

Current Vaccine Information Statements (VIS)

<https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/current-vis/index.html>

Checklist for Safe Vaccine Storage and Handling

<https://www.immunize.org/wp-content/uploads/catg.d/p3035.pdf>

Vaccine Storage and Handling Toolkit

<https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/admin/storage/toolkit/storage-handling-toolkit.pdf>

Where to Get Vaccinated

<https://www.health.state.mn.us/people/immunize/basics/vaxfinder.html>

RespSafe – MN Department of Health

<https://www.health.state.mn.us/diseases/respiratory/hcp/respsafe.html>

Weekly Influenza and Respiratory Activity: Statistics

<https://www.health.state.mn.us/diseases/flu/stats/index.html>

Infection Control Assessment and Response (ICAR)

<https://www.health.state.mn.us/facilities/patientsafety/infectioncontrol/icar/index.html>

Employee Illness Tracking Tool

Illtracktool.xlsx

<https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fview.officeapps.live.com%2Fop%2Fview.aspx%3Fsrc%3Dhttps%253A%252F%252Fwww.health.state.mn.us%252Fdiseases%252Fcoronavirus%252Fhcp%252Filltracktool.xlsx%26wdOrigin%3DBROWSELINK&data=05%7C02%7CKari.Bergman%40state.mn.us%7Ca71b141ceef4820867608dd291e42d9%7Ceb14b04624c445198f26b89c2159828c%7C0%7C0%7C638711932271265505%7CUnknown%7CTWFPbGZsb3d8eylFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiwlLjAuMDAwMCIslAIoiJXaW4zMilsIkF0ljoITWFPbClslldUjjoyQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C0%7C7C%7C&sdata=24vHRLqXF3%2BDMMy%2FNlobgLAF45BF5SnwM40BdvVurnio%3D&reserved=0>

Employee Illness Tracing Tool Instructions

<https://www.health.state.mn.us/diseases/coronavirus/hcp/illtracktool.pdf>

Infection and Antibiotic Use Tracking Tool Instructions

<https://www.health.state.mn.us/diseases/antibioticresistance/hcp/asp/ltc/apxlinstructions.pdf>

LTC Facility Influenza and RSV Report Form 2024-2025

<https://redcap.health.state.mn.us/redcap/surveys/?s=77K8YPJKDEPEMYTY>

Viral Respiratory Pathogens Toolkit for Nursing Homes

<https://www.cdc.gov/long-term-care-facilities/hcp/respiratory-virus-toolkit/index.html>

Enhanced Respiratory Precautions

<https://www.health.state.mn.us/diseases/coronavirus/hcp/ppepresign.pdf>

Appendix A: Type and Duration of Precautions Recommended for Selected Infections and Conditions

<https://www.cdc.gov/infection-control/hcp/isolation-precautions/appendix-a-type-duration.html>

MDH Project Firstline

<https://www.health.state.mn.us/facilities/patientsafety/infectioncontrol/pfl/training/index.html#resp>

ICAR Infection Prevention Audit Tools

<https://www.health.state.mn.us/facilities/patientsafety/infectioncontrol/icar/res/audit.html#:~:text=The%20Infection%20Prevention%20Audit%20Tools%20are%20a%20suite,use%20the%20information%20to%20develop%20an%20action%20plan.>

MDH Cover Your Cough

<https://www.health.state.mn.us/diseases/antibioticresistance/hcp/asp/ltc/apxlinstructions.pdf><https://www.health.state.mn.us/people/cyc/index.html>

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